



**Caltrans District 4 Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC)**  
**November 16, 2011 9:30-11:30 AM**  
**Meeting Summary**

The following PAC members participated in the meeting:

Robert (Bob) Planthold, Chair, San Francisco resident  
Wendy Alfson, California Walks  
Rocky Birdsey, Marin Center for Independent Living  
Michelle DeRobertis, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority  
Erick Guerra, Alameda County resident  
Carol Levine, Alameda County resident  
Lynne March, Sonoma County Transportation Authority  
Nicole Schneider, Public Health Representative  
David Simons, Santa Clara County resident  
Joel Slavitt, San Mateo County Transit District  
Russ Taft, Contra Costa County resident  
Rochelle Wheeler, Alameda County Transportation Commission

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and Introductions

Agenda Item #2: Review and Approval of Summary of September 2011 Meeting

The attendees approved the summary notes from the PAC meeting on September 30, 2011.

Agenda Item #3: Development and Adoption of FY 2011-12 Work Plan

The PAC edited the Work Plan and then adopted it by unanimous approval.

Agenda Item #4: Finalization and Adoption of Comments on Draft Public Rights of Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG)

Beth Thomas, staff liaison to the PAC, gave a presentation on a key change in the PROWAG final proposed rule affecting corner curb ramp orientation and on how well the text and figures provided for the subject would facilitate the development of Caltrans standard plans. The PAC developed comments (attached), which were submitted by Bob Planthold through the US Access Board website later in November.

#### Agenda Item #5: Selection of Projects to Review Based on Pedestrian Relevance

The PAC reviewed a list of project initiation documents for capital and maintenance projects. The members selected PIDs from the capital project list and gave them a ranking of “high” or “medium” for pedestrian relevance. The remaining projects were considered to have low pedestrian relevance. The members asked that a column be added to the list to indicate whether a project is only on the freeway mainline.

#### Agenda Item #6: Updates on Policies/Guidance/Issues Previously Presented

Beth Thomas gave updates in the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) and California Highway Design Manual. The PAC asked for further information at their next meeting regarding the process proposed by Caltrans for addressing comments on the California MUTCD received in 2011.

#### Agenda Item #7: Public Comment

No public comments were made.

#### Agenda Item #8: Topics for Next Meeting, Announcements and Information Sharing

An announcement was made that the Centers for Disease Control has awarded Community Transformation grants to city and county health departments, including the San Francisco Department of Public Health.